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### FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

**LS 6593 NOTE PREPARED:** Dec 19, 2002

BILL NUMBER: SB 182 BILL AMENDED:

**SUBJECT:** Distribution of Child Care Regulatory Information.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Craycraft

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State

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<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> This bill amends the definition of "provider" for purposes of the law concerning child care regulation. The bill specifies the manner in which the Division of Family and Children must adopt administrative rules and policy statements and provide information to the public concerning the administrative rules and policy statements.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** This bill requires the Division of Family and Children to: (1) make an administrative rule or policy statement available to the public upon request, (2) adopt administrative rules or policy statements that only address one type of child care provider, and (3) provide information to the public regarding one type of provider per correspondence.

The Division will incur minimal expenses due to the provisions of this bill. The Division's procedures currently meet the requirements of provisions (1) and (2). However, the Division will have to review all rules currently in place to assure that they conform with provision (2) in order to ensure that the rule only applies to one provider type.

The Division estimates that the cost of promulgating a child care rule is approximately \$125,000. This includes \$112,000 for staff time, \$11,600 for printing and postage, \$148 for public notices, and \$1,113 for five public meetings. These costs are usually included in administrative costs for the agency.

The Division should be able to meet the requirements of the third provision at little or no additional cost.

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Instead of preparing one mass mailing with information on all new administrative rules or policy statements, the Division will have to craft notifications specific to child care provider type.

This bill also changes the definition of provider to include a person who provides child care. This change is expected to have no fiscal impact.

### **Explanation of State Revenues:**

# **Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

# **Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Family and Social Services Administration.

### **Local Agencies Affected:**

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